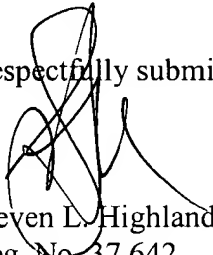


REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3 are pending, and claims 32-55 have been added. Claims 2 and 4-31 are hereby canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants respectfully request entry of these amendments and consideration pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination filed on September 29, 2003.

The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (512) 536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application. Please date stamp and return the enclosed postcard as evidence of receipt.

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